

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
GARFIELD MAYOR AND COUNCIL
JANUARY 23, 2024
6:00P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield was called to order on Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 6:15PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, New Jersey. On Roll Call present members were: Councilmembers Maslag, Herrera, & Banch, Deputy Mayor Delaney, and Mayor Rigoglioso. Also present were City Manager/City Clerk Delaney, City Engineer Kevin Boswell, and City Attorney John Tuntevski.

2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE:

Whereas, Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of the State of New Jersey requires at the commencement of every meeting a Statement of Compliance be read by the presiding officer.

Now, Therefore Be Advised, that the meeting requirements for this meeting have been met by publishing an annual meeting notice in The Record and Herald News and by posting such notice in the office of the City Clerk as well as in a public place within the Municipal Building, and by notifying interested citizens. Said notice was posted on January 8, 2024 and published on January 11, 2024.

3. ROLL CALL:

4. FLAG SALUTE:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Maslag and seconded by Councilwoman Banch to approve the January 5, 2024 Re-organization Meeting and January 9, 2024 Work & Executive Session minutes. The motions carried unanimously.

6. ORDINANCES:

R-45-24

FIRST READING

Introduce Ord. #3024

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE BANTA AVENUE SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,550,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO APPROPRIATE STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

R-46-24 Introduce Ord. #3025
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 226, PARKING, ARTICLE V, PERMIT PARKING ON RESIDENTIAL STREETS, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

R-47-24 Introduce Ord. #3026
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 53, PURCHASING, ARTICLE III, PURCHASES BY VENDOR, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

SECOND READING

R-48-24 Introduce Ord. #3022
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART I, ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 48, POLICE DEPARTMENT, ARTICLE VII, CONTRACTED OFF-DUTY EMPLOYMENT, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

R-49-24 Introduce Ord. #3023
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 226, PARKING, ARTICLE II, PARKING FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

- R-50-24 Approval of Bills List
- R-51-24 Appointing Certain Professional Appointments Pursuant to the New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play Law
- R-52-24 Authorizing Payment of Payment Requisition No. 11 To Creamer-Sanzari, A Joint Venture for Construction Services Provided in Connection with River Drive Improvements & Passaic River Bikeway (Phase 2)
- R-53-24 Authorizing Payment of Payment Requisition No. 12 to National Metering Services, Inc., for Services Rendered in Connection with the Water Meter Replacement Program Phase 2
- R-54-24 Authorizing Change Order #1 & Final for Smith-Sondy Paving in Connection with the 2020 Road Program & Columbus Park Basketball Courts
- R-55-24 Authorizing Payment of Payment Requisition No. 4 (Final) to Smith Sondy Paving Provided in Connection with the 2020 Road Program & Columbus Park Basketball Courts
- R-56-24 Authorizing Payment of Payment Requisition No. 11 to Fred Devens Construction for Construction Services Provided in Connection with Garfield Water System Treatment Improvements, Elmwood Park Wellfield
- R-57-24 Accepting the Bid of Madina Restoration, Inc. for the Garfield Recreation Building Façade Rehabilitation Project CDBG Unappropriated Funds Grant
- R-58-24 Approving Tax Overpayment Credit/Refund
- R-59-24 Approving Tax Overpayment Credit/Refund
- R-60-24 Approving Handicap Parking Space

- R-61-24 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the TWA Application Approval on Behalf of the Governing Body for the Construction of a Sanitary Sewer Extension at 933-945 River Drive
- R-62-24 Approving Resignation of Active Member – Fire Department
- R-63-24 Approving Resignation of Active Member – Fire Department
- R-64-24 Approving Resignation of Active Member – Fire Department
- R-65-24 Approving Resignation of Active Member – Fire Department
- R-66-24 Approving Resignation of Active Member – Fire Department
- R-67-24 Approving Resignation of Active Member – Fire Department
- R-68-24 Approving Regular Active Member – Fire Department
- R-69-24 Approving Junior Member – Fire Department
- R-70-24 Approving Junior Member – Fire Department
- R-71-24 Supporting RevolutionNJ
- R-72-24 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Allen Associates for Health, Prescription, and Dental Programs
- R-73-24 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Renewal Amendment for Prescription Drug Management Services with Benecard Services, LLC for Participation in the Public Employer Benefit Trust (PEBT) to Provide Prescription Drug Benefits to Eligible Active and Retired Employees
- R-74-24 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract with the County of Bergen Open Space Trust Fund – Spring Street Park/Baseball (“Little League”) Field Improvements
- R-75-24 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Shared Service Contract with the County of Bergen – Tree Removal Along County Roads
- R-76-24 Approving 2024 Vehicle Repair and Auto Body Repair Facility Licenses
- R-77-24 Approving 2024 Cannabis License
- R-78-24 Resolution to Approve the Consent Agenda

8. PUBLIC HEARING:

9. MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS:

10. ADJOURNMENT:

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-45-24**

**RESOLUTION BY: MAYOR RIGOGLIOSO
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3024
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE BANTA AVENUE SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,550,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO APPROPRIATE STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

be passed and adopted on first reading; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to advertise in a legal newspaper a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3024**

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE BANTA AVENUE SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,550,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO APPROPRIATE STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "City"), is hereby authorized to undertake the Banta Avenue Sewer Improvement Project in, by and for the City. Said improvement shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefore.

Section 2. The sum of \$1,550,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvement described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized, and the down payment and the State and Federal grants appropriated, by this ordinance. Said improvement shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefitted.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of the City, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of the City pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$1,550,000, and (4) \$275,931 of said sum is to be provided by the State grant hereinafter appropriated, and (5) \$187,543 of said sum is to be provided by the Federal grant hereinafter appropriated, and (6) \$90,000 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (7) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$996,526, and (8) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$230,000, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and stated that the sum of \$275,931 received or to be received as a grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of such purpose.

Section 5. It is hereby determined and stated that the sum of \$187,543 received or to be received as a grant from the Bergen County Community Development Program, pursuant to the Federal Housing and Community Development Act, is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of such purpose.

Section 6 It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$90,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for the City, are now available to finance said purpose. The sum of \$90,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 7. To finance said purpose, bonds of the City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$996,526 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of the City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$996,526 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 9. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance, shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of the City and attested by the City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance, and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of forty years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 11. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the City Clerk of the City, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of the City, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$996,526 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 12. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purpose (other than the State and Federal grants hereinbefore appropriated which shall be applied to the cost of such purpose, but shall not be applied to the payment of outstanding bond anticipation notes and the reduction of the amount of bonds authorized), shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 13. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the City Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 14. The City intends to issue bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 of this ordinance. If the City incurs such costs prior to the issuance of such bonds or notes, the City hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this ordinance.

Section 15. The full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the City, and the City shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the City for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 16. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: January 23, 2024

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-46-24**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILWOMAN BANCH
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3025
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 226,
PARKING, ARTICLE V, PERMIT PARKING ON RESIDENTIAL STREETS, OF THE
REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

be passed and adopted on first reading; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to advertise in a legal newspaper a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3025**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 226, PARKING, ARTICLE V, PERMIT PARKING ON RESIDENTIAL STREETS, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield, that Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 226, Parking, Article V, Parking on Residential Streets, Section 226-23, Restricted streets, is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. The current text of City Ordinance that Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 226, Parking, Article V, Parking on Residential Streets, Section 226-23, Restricted streets, is hereby amended as follows:

§ 226-23 Restricted streets.

Pursuant to the provisions of this article and based upon the findings of the Chief of Police, or his designee, made in accordance therewith, no person who does not hold a parking permit issued in accordance with the terms of this article shall park any vehicle on the following described streets or portions thereof in the City of Garfield between the hours and on the days indicated:

Name of Street	Side	Hours/Days	Location
Alaska Street	Both	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday	Entire length
Bergen Street	Both	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday	From Plauderville Avenue to Hartman Avenue
Harding Court	Both	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday	Entire length
Hartmann Avenue	Both	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday	From the west curb line of Bergen Street to Midland Avenue
Henrietta Street	Both	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday	Entire length
Jacob Street	Both	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday	Entire length
Palisade Avenue	Both	9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday	Midland Avenue to Passaic Street
Plauderville Avenue	Both	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday	From Midland Avenue to Bergen Street western curb line
Union Avenue	Both	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday	From Dead End Street to Alaska Street
Walnut Street	Both	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday	Entire length
Williams Street	Both	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday	Entire length

Section 2. All other provisions of this Chapter, Article, and Section endure and shall remain in full force and effect;

Section 3. Any article, chapter, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Code inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4. In case, for any reason, any portion or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect any other portion or provision of this Ordinance, except so far as the portion or provision so declared unconstitutional or invalid shall be severed from the remainder or any portion thereof.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: January 23, 2024

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-47-24**

**RESOLUTION BY: MAYOR RIGOGLIOSO
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR DELANEY**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3026
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 53,
PURCHASING, ARTICLE III, PURCHASES BY VENDOR, OF THE REVISED
GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

be passed and adopted on first reading; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to advertise in a legal newspaper a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3026**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 53, PURCHASING, ARTICLE III, PURCHASES BY VENDOR, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6 and 5:31-4.1 and Local Finance Notice 2018-13 gives local units discretions to not require claimant certification by enacting a standard policy by resolution for vendors or claimants; and allowing local units greater flexibility in implementing the claimant certification requirement; and

WHEREAS, as continued internal control, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-16(b) still requires local units “a written or electronic certification of some officer or duly designated employee of the local unit having knowledge of the facts that the goods have been received by, or the services rendered to, the local unit” prior to any disbursements of funds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6 and 5:31-4.1, the City of Garfield wishes to set forth revised requirements for Claimant “Vendor” Certifications; and the Chief Financial Officer having determined that certain circumstances no longer require a vendor (claimant certification) signature on a purchase order;

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield, that Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 53, Purchasing, Article III, Purchases by Vendor, is hereby amended to include as follows:

Section 1. The current text of City Ordinance Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 53, Purchasing, Article III, Purchases by Vendor, is hereby amended to include as follows:

Article III Purchases Through Vendor

§ 53-6 Payment of claims.

The City shall not disburse any funds for goods or services without the following:

- (a) **Invoice.** The person claiming or receiving payment first presents a detailed bill of items or demand, specifying particularly how the bill or demand is made up with certification of the using department claiming payment that the bill or demand is correct; and
- (b) **Purchase Order.** The payment carries a written or electronic certification of some officer or duly designated employee of the City of Garfield having knowledge of the facts that the goods have been received by, or the services rendered to the City.

§ 53-7 Claimant certification.

As per N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6(d), Claimant certification shall only be required for reimbursement of employee reimbursement expenses.

§ 53-8 Employee reimbursement.

No employee expenses shall be reimbursed, unless the employee provides a detailed statement, certified in writing by the employee, along with original documentation in support of each expense.

§ 53-9 Circumstances when claimant certification shall not be required.

Claimant certification is not required under the following circumstances: when payment is made using EFT methods, claimant certification is not part of the vendor's normal course of business, payment of utility, bulk, regular monthly services, contracted services acquired by bid or

competitive contracting, refunds due to individuals, or purchases under \$1,000, excluding vendors prohibited by law.

Section 2. All other provisions of this Chapter, Article, and Section endure and shall remain in full force and effect;

Section 3. Any article, chapter, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Code inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4. In case, for any reason, any portion or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect any other portion or provision of this Ordinance, except so far as the portion or provision so declared unconstitutional or invalid shall be severed from the remainder or any portion thereof.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: January 23, 2024

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

City Manager/City Clerk Delaney requested that the Mayor and Council table Ordinances 3022 & 3023 as a result of an issue with publishing the notices.

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-48-24**

**TABLED BY: COUNCILWOMAN BANCH
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3022
SECOND READING**

WHEREAS, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART I, ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 48, POLICE DEPARTMENT, ARTICLE VII, CONTRACTED OFF-DUTY EMPLOYMENT, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

WHEREAS, all persons interested in said ordinance were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that said ordinance pass on final reading.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote to Table

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was tabled by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3022**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART I, ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 48, POLICE DEPARTMENT, ARTICLE VII, CONTRACTED OFF-DUTY EMPLOYMENT, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, statutory authority provides that the Mayor and Council for the City of Garfield by Ordinance may set rates of compensation to the City Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the use of off-duty services by the Police Department serves an integral role in providing comfort and safety to the citizens of the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council finds it is in the best interest of the City to increase the rates of compensation for off-duty law enforcement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield, that Part I, Administrative Legislation, Chapter 48, Police Department, Article VII, Contracted Off-Duty Employment, is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. The current text of City Ordinance, Part I, Administrative Legislation, Chapter 48, Police Department, Article VII, Contracted Off-Duty Employment, is hereby amended as follows:

§ 48-28. Rates of compensation; administrative fee; payment for services.

- A. Rates of compensation for contracting the services of off-duty law enforcement officers shall be established from time to time by the City Council. Rates of compensation for contracting the services of off-duty law enforcement are established as follows:
- (1) Rate of compensation per hour for off-duty time: \$100, except as set forth in Subsection A(2) and A(3) below.
 - (2) Rate of compensation per hour for certain other off-duty law enforcement services, to include, Fire Department functions, City functions and church/non-profit functions: \$50.
 - (3) Rate of compensation per hour for certain other off-duty law enforcement services, to include, school functions: \$75.
 - (4) An additional fee of \$25 per hour is hereby established to cover administration costs, overhead, and out-of-pocket expenses of the City of Garfield.
 - (5) An additional fee of \$25 per vehicle per hour is hereby established to compensate the City of Garfield for use of vehicles.
 - (6) A minimum of four hours under four hours of work along with a minimum of eight hours for any work above four hours but under eight hours will be granted to the off-duty officer.
- B. Payment to off-duty law enforcement officers for outside employment shall be made through the City's payroll process.

Section 2. All other provisions of Chapter 23 are hereby ratified and remains in full force and effect;

Section 3. Any other chapter of the City Code that conflicts with this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict;

Section 4. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: January 9, 2024

Tabled: January 23, 2024

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-49-24**

**TABLED BY: COUNCILWOMAN BANCH
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3023
SECOND READING**

WHEREAS, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 226,
PARKING, ARTICLE II, PARKING FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS, OF THE
REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

WHEREAS, all persons interested in said ordinance were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that said ordinance pass on final reading.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote to Table

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was tabled by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3023**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 226, PARKING, ARTICLE II, PARKING FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6, the governing body of this municipality may establish restricted parking zones in front of residences occupied by handicapped persons; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield has incurred costs for providing permits and processing applications for such permits; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council finds it is in the best interest of the City of Garfield for the City to charge a fee for residents who apply for such permits;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield, that Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 226, Parking, Article II, Parking for Handicapped Persons, is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. The current text of City Ordinance, Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 226, Parking, Article II, Parking for Handicapped Persons, is hereby amended to include the following:

§ 226-5: Application for handicapped parking space; initial application fee.

C. A one-time initial application fee is hereby established in the amount of \$100.

Section 2. All other provisions of Chapter 48 are hereby ratified and remain in full force and effect;

Section 3. Any other chapter of the City Code that conflicts with this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict;

Section 4. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: January 9, 2024

Tabled: January 23, 2024

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-50-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVAL OF BILLS LIST

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the Current Year Reserve Totaling \$189,030.12 and the Current Fund totaling \$40,439.65 and the Water Reserves totaling \$61,160.30 and the Water Fund totaling \$15,065.00 and the Grants totaling \$0.00 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$150.00 and the Water Capital Fund totaling \$3,761.95 and the Trust Accounts totaling \$4,324.49 and the Developer’s Escrow totaling \$0.00 per attached Computer Lists, dated January 23, 2024 be ordered paid and the proper officers are hereby authorized to issue checks for same provided there are funds in the respective appropriations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the action of the Mayor, City Clerk and City Treasurer in issuing checks in payment on the Ratification List, totaling \$749,044.78 prior to the meeting be ratified.

I, Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

January 22, 2024
Dated

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-51-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**APPOINTING CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS PURSUANT TO THE
NEW JERSEY LOCAL UNIT PAY TO PLAY LAW**

WHEREAS, pursuant to a previously adopted resolution, the qualified evaluation committee has determined that it would be in the best interests of the City to make certain professional appointments pursuant to a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of the new Jersey Local Pay to Play Law; and

WHEREAS, a legal notice and statement of criteria for submission of qualifications were prepared and issued by the City which solicited submissions by the various professionals no later than December 20, 2022; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the aforesaid notice statements of professional qualifications were, in fact submitted; and

WHEREAS, contracts with these professional may be entered into by the City of Garfield without the necessity of competitive bidding since these contracts are professional services which are exempt from competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A-11-5(1);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that:

1. John Shahdanian of Trenk, Isabel, Siddiqi, & Shahdanian is hereby appointed as a Special Legal/Labor Attorney for the City of Garfield with compensation in the amount not to exceed \$60,000.00 to be paid from 4-01-20-150-151-020.
2. Andrew Oddo, Esq. is hereby appointed as a Special Legal/Labor Attorney for the City of Garfield with compensation in the amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 to be paid from 4-01-20-150-151-020.
3. Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, & Jacobs is hereby appointed as Tax Appeals Attorney for the City of Garfield with compensation in the amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 to be paid from 4-01-20-150-151-020.

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appointments shall be for a period of one (1) year, from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, and each appointment is subject to confirmation by the Chief Financial Officer that sufficient funds exist for the purposes.

I, Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

January 22, 2024
Dated

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-52-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PAYMENT REQUISITION NO. 11 TO CREAMER-SANZARI, A JOINT VENTURE FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES PROVIDED IN CONNECTION WITH RIVER DRIVE IMPROVEMENTS & PASSAIC RIVER BIKEWAY (PHASE 2)

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a contract to Creamer-Sanzari – A Joint Venture; and

WHEREAS, Creamer-Sanzari – A Joint Venture has provided services for this project and submitted Payment Requisition No. 11 in the amount of \$438,527.46; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Engineering firm recommends the payment of Requisition No. 11 in the amount of \$438,527.46 to Creamer-Sanzari – A Joint Venture;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the City hereby authorizes the payment of \$438,527.46 to Creamer-Sanzari – A Joint Venture for services rendered in connection with this project to be paid out of account C-06-55-222-946-001.

I, Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

January 22, 2024
Dated

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-53-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PAYMENT REQUISITION NO. 12 TO NATIONAL
METERING SERVICES, INC., FOR SERVICES RENDERED IN CONNECTION WITH
THE WATER METER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM PHASE 2**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a contract to National Water Metering Services, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, National Water Metering Services, Inc., provided services for this project for work completed for November, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby authorizes the payment of Requisition No. 12 in the amount of \$2,547.27 to National Water Metering Services, Inc., for services rendered in connection with this project to be paid out of account C-06-55-222-947-001.

I, Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

January 22, 2024
Dated

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-54-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 & FINAL FOR SMITH-SONDY PAVING IN
CONNECTION WITH THE 2020 ROAD PROGRAM & COLUMBUS PARK
BASKETBALL COURTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a contract to Smith-Sondy Asphalt, in the amount of \$1,041,672.80; and

WHEREAS, Change Order #1 & Final is necessary to adjust as-built quantities within the project limits for the project closeout; and

WHEREAS, Change Order #1 & Final is for a decrease in the amount of (\$196,993.09). This decrease brings the adjusted contract amount to \$844,679.71;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the City hereby approves Change Order #1 (Final) decreasing the amount of this project by (\$196,933.09) is hereby approved through account C-04-55-999-000-972.

I, Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

January 22, 2024
Dated

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-55-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PAYMENT REQUISITION NO. 4 (FINAL) TO
SMITH-SONDY PAVING PROVIDED IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2020 ROAD
PROGRAM & COLUMBUS PARK BASKETBALL COURTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a contract to Smith-Sondy Paving; and

WHEREAS, Smith-Sondy Paving has provided services for this project and submitted Payment Requisition No. 4 (Final – Release of Retainage) in the amount of \$16,893.60; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Engineering firm recommends the payment of Requisition No.4 (Final) in the amount of \$16,893.60, which releases the retainage for this project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the City hereby authorizes the final payment of \$16,893.60 to Smith-Sondy Paving for services rendered in connection with this project to be paid out of account C-04-55-999-000-972.

I, Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

January 22, 2024
Dated

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-56-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PAYMENT REQUISITION NO. 11 TO FRED DEVENS
CONSTRUCTION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES PROVIDED IN CONNECTION
WITH GARFIELD WATER SYSTEM TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS, ELMWOOD
PARK WELLFIELD**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a contract to Fred Devens Construction; and

WHEREAS, Fred Devens Construction provided construction services for this project for the period ending January 5, 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City hereby authorizes the payment of Requisition No. 11 in the amount of \$48,448.20 to Fred Devens Construction for construction services rendered in connection with this project to be paid out of account C-04-55-222-958-001.

I, Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

January 22, 2024
Dated

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-57-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**ACCEPTING THE BID OF MADINA RESTORATION, INC. FOR THE GARFIELD
RECREATION BUILDING FAÇADE REHABILITATION PROJECT – CDBG
UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS GRANT**

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2023 the City of Garfield issued a Notice to Bidders for work pertaining to the Garfield Recreation Building Façade Rehabilitation Project; and

WHEREAS, December 28, 2023 10:30 a.m. the City of Garfield opened bids to the public at City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, New Jersey 07026; and

WHEREAS, the City received six bids for the requested work; and

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2024, City Architect Dan Dressel, R.A., issued a bid award recommendation letter for a bid received from Madina Restoration, Inc. with its principal place of business located at, 10 Coury Road, Hillsborough, New Jersey 08844 in the amount of Two Hundred and Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$217,000.00), with Alternate Bids for Alternate #1 of Twenty-one Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$21,500.00); Alternate #2 of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00); Alternate #4 of Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred & Fifty Dollars (\$16,550.00); Alternate #5 of Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred & Fifty Dollars (\$16,550.00); Alternate #6 of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred & Fifty Dollars (\$17,550.00);, which represents the lowest bid;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Governing Body of the City of Garfield hereby accepts the bid for the renovations of the Recreation Building Façade Improvements to the lowest bidder Madina Restoration, Inc., in the amount of Two Hundred and Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$217,000.00), with Alternate Bids #1, 2, 4, 5, 6 for a total award of Three Hundred & Seven Thousand and One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$307,150.00) to be paid through accounts G-01-41-723-000-471, C-04-55-000-246-000, and 4-01-44-901-901-005, and authorizes City Manager Erin Delaney to execute said contract.

I, Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

January 22, 2024
Dated

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-58-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING TAX OVERPAYMENT CREDIT/REFUND

WHEREAS, the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received requests from the following property owners for a refund due to Tax Court Judgement for the year 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, that the proper offices are hereby authorized to issue checks refunding over payments and forward same to the Receiver of Taxes for the purpose of noting her records and for mailing to the property owner to be paid out of account 4-01-17-001-001.

BLOCK	LOT	OWNER	REASON	AMOUNT
89	5	WOLF VESPASIANO LLC ATTORNEY TRUST ACCOUNT & JAN INVESTMENTS LLC	O/P	\$1,584.72
89	8	WOLF VESPASIANO LLC ATTORNEY TRUST ACCOUNT & JAN INVESTMENTS LLC	O/P	\$1,040.08

I, Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

January 22, 2024
Dated

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-59-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING TAX OVERPAYMENT CREDIT/REFUND

WHEREAS, the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received requests from the following property owners for a refund due to Tax Court Judgement for the year 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, that the proper offices are hereby authorized to issue checks refunding over payments and forward same to the Receiver of Taxes for the purpose of noting her records and for mailing to the property owner to be paid out of account 4-01-17-001-004.

BLOCK	LOT	OWNER	REASON	AMOUNT
89	5	WOLF VESPASIANO LLC ATTORNEY TRUST ACCOUNT & JAN INVESTMENTS LLC	O/P	\$1506.48
89	8	WOLF VESPASIANO LLC ATTORNEY TRUST ACCOUNT & JAN INVESTMENTS LLC	O/P	\$988.72

I, Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Anders Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

January 22, 2024
Dated

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-60-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING HANDICAP PARKING SPACE

WHEREAS, Barbara DeRose, of 291 Midland Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P2787799, has filed an application for a handicap parking sign to be placed at her address; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has investigated and recommend approval of the application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicap Parking”, located on the west curb line of Midland Avenue commencing 95 feet south of the intersection of Midland Avenue and Van Winkle Avenue and continue an additional 20 feet south from that point; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-61-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE TWA APPLICATION
APPROVAL ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNING BODY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION
OF A SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION AT 933-945 RIVER DRIVE**

WHEREAS, the Developer of the property (Meridia Garfield 933 LLC) known as Block 140, Lots 91.01 & 100.01, proposes a sanitary sewer connection from the above referenced property at 933-945 River Drive to an existing sanitary sewer main located in River Drive; and

WHEREAS, the Developer must apply to the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for a Sanitary Sewer Extension Permit (TWA-1); and

WHEREAS, Boswell Engineering has reviewed the plans and has determined the project is in conformance with the requirements of all City ordinances;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Council of the City of Garfield that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Statement of Consent Form (WQM-003) on behalf of the Governing Body for the construction of a sanitary sewer connection to an 8-inch sewer located within the River Drive right-of-way.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-62-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING RESIGNATION OF ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Michael Andreano of 99 Willard Street, Garfield, New Jersey 07026 as an active member, effective August 24, 2016;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 1 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-63-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING RESIGNATION OF ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Wayne Bartholomew of 57 Palisade Avenue, Apartment 2B, Garfield, New Jersey 07026 as an active member, effective December 16, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 1 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-64-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING RESIGNATION OF ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Jeffrey Casiano of 148 President Street, Passaic, New Jersey 07055 as an active member, effective July 22, 2015;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 1 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-65-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING RESIGNATION OF ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of John Cuco of 64 Hoover Avenue, Passaic, New Jersey 07055 as an active member, effective July 26, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 1 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-66-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING RESIGNATION ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Yahaira Sanchez of 59 Belmont Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026 as an active member, effective July 26, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 1 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-67-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING RESIGNATION OF ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Anthony Smith of 41 Maple Street, Garfield, New Jersey 07026 as an active member, effective May 27, 2015;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 1 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-68-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING REGULAR ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 3 has advised that they have accepted Dante Dorta, 481 Harrison Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026, as a regular active member, effective December 8, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that the action taken by Fire Company No. 3 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-69-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING JUNIOR MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 4 has advised that they have accepted Julian Flores, 139 Malcolm Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026, as a Junior Member, effective December 15, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that the action taken by Fire Company No. 4 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-70-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING JUNIOR MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 3 has advised that they have accepted Sharbel Ibrahim, 237 Midland Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026, as a Junior Member, effective December 8, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that the action taken by Fire Company No. 3 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-71-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

SUPPORTING REVOLUTIONNJ

WHEREAS, Governor Philip Murphy and the New Jersey State Legislature created RevolutionNJ in 2018 to plan, encourage, develop, and coordinate the commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States, New Jersey's pivotal role in the American Revolution, and the contributions of its diverse peoples to the nation's past, present, and future; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Historical Commission, under the leadership of Secretary of State Tahesha Way, with its non-profit partner Crossroads of the American Revolution established RevolutionNJ to advance the role that history plays in public discourse, community engagement, education, tourism, and scholarship in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, RevolutionNJ will engage New Jerseyans in all 21 counties and 564 municipalities through its officially recognized programs, initiatives, and events over the next ten years; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and desirable that we commemorate the beginning of the Nation and the role New Jersey played over the past 250 years as well as its present and future role as part of the United States, with particular focus on the individuals, ideas, and events that shaped our Country, State, and the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, RevolutionNJ will consider the role New Jersey played during the American Revolution when it saw more battles and skirmishes than any other state and was truly the Crossroads of the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, RevolutionNJ will highlight the role New Jerseyans played beyond the battlefield during the American Revolution when people of diverse backgrounds contributed to the development of the State and the Nation in various ways and fought for the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and

WHEREAS, preserving, studying, and enjoying state history strengthens communities and builds bonds between New Jersey residents as we work together toward the goals of justice and equality embedded in the United States Constitution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield hereby endorses RevolutionNJ and its mission to advance the role that history plays in public discourse, community engagement, education, tourism and scholarship in New Jersey; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:

1. The City of Garfield commemorates the 250th anniversary of the establishment of the United States as an independent Nation.
2. The City of Garfield authorizes the appointment of a committee to develop a plan for this commemoration that will promote the maximum involvement of our residents, neighborhoods, businesses, schools, civic organizations, and institutions in the commemorations.
3. The City of Garfield further urges all its residents to reflect upon the significance of this event and the role that our State and its diverse people have played in the history and development of our Nation and to participate in this important commemoration, endeavoring to include the stories of all those whose lives are part of the history of what we now know as New Jersey, and understanding that the revolution continues today as we uphold the revolutionary ideals articulated in our founding documents.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-72-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ALLEN ASSOCIATES FOR HEALTH,
PRESCRIPTION, AND DENTAL PROGRAMS**

WHEREAS, the City is currently enrolled in a professional services agreement with Allen Associates for health benefit broker/consultant services for Health, Prescription and Dental programs, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 40A:11:-6.1(b) for Extraordinary Unspecified Services; and

WHEREAS, the current agreement is set to expire on February 1st, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Provider is authorized and duly licensed to render said services and the City is desirous to continue with said services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby authorizes City Manager, Erin Delaney, to execute a continued professional services agreement for health benefit broker/consultant services for Health, Prescription and Dental programs with Allen Associates.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-73-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A RENEWAL AMENDMENT
FOR PRESCRIPTION DRUG MANAGEMENT SERVICES WITH BENECARD
SERVICES, LLC FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PUBLIC EMPLOYER BENEFIT
TRUST (PEBT) TO PROVIDE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS TO ELIGIBLE
ACTIVE AND RETIRED EMPLOYEES**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield has undertaken the responsibility to provide certain active and retired employees and their dependents and COBRA eligible members with prescription drug benefits, through its participation in the Public Employer Benefit Trust (“Trust” or “PEBT”); and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield, having determined the scope and extent of its prescription drug benefits and the participant-contribution level, desires that its benefits be administered on a uniform basis for all its cardholders and dependents according to the City’s plan specifications; and

WHEREAS, Benecard Services, LLC is engaged in the business of providing administrative services in connection with prescription drug benefits for various groups, according to each group’s plan specifications; and

WHEREAS, the City desires that Benecard Services, LLC continue provide such administrative services for the City’s prescription drug benefits as part of an arrangement whereby the City becomes a member of the Benecard Association (the “Association”) and will receive coverage under an excess loss insurance policy issued by Insurance Carrier and made available to members of the Association;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield hereby directs the City Manager to execute the Renewal Amendment for Prescription Drug Management Services with Benecard Services, LLC effective immediately for participation in the Public Employer Benefit Trust (PEBT) to provide prescription drug benefits to eligible active and retired employees.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-74-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA

SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH
THE COUNTY OF BERGEN OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND – SPRING STREET
PARK/BASEBALL (“LITTLE LEAGUE”) FIELD IMPROVEMENTS**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield wish to enter into a Bergen County Trust Fund Project Contract (“Contract”) with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using a \$197,153.00 matching grant award from the 2023 Funding Round of the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund (“Trust Fund”) for the municipal park project entitled Spring Street Park/Baseball Field Turfing, Dugout, Benches, & Bleachers, located on Spring Street on the tax maps of the City of Garfield; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorizes City Manager/City Clerk Erin Nora, and a witness, to be a signatory to the aforesaid Contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby acknowledge that, in general, the use of this Trust Fund grant towards this approved park project must be completed by or about December 13, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant will be disbursed to the municipality as a reimbursement upon submittal of certified Trust Fund payment and project completion documents and municipal vouchers, invoices, proofs of payment, and other such documents as may be required by the County in accordance with the Trust Fund’s requirements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant disbursement to the municipality will be equivalent to fifty (50) percent of the eligible construction costs incurred (not to exceed total grant award) applied towards only the approved park improvements identified in the aforesaid Contract in accordance with the Trust Fund’s requirements. Professional Services Costs may be reimbursed from grant award’s unexpended balance, should there be a balance.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-75-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A SHARED SERVICE
CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY OF BERGEN – TREE REMOVAL ALONG
COUNTY ROADS**

WHEREAS, the Parties are “Local Units” located within the State of New Jersey authorized by law to enter into this agreement to jointly provide any lawful service to and for the residents pursuant to the provisions of the “Uniform Shared Service and Consolidation Act,” N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Parties are committed to delivering services to their respective taxpayers in the most effective and cost-efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is of the opinion that entering into a shared service contract with the County of Bergen for emergency tree removal along County roads is in the best interest of the residents of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield hereby directs the City Manager to execute the Shared Services Contract with the County of Bergen for said service for a period of five years, January 1, 2024-December 31, 2028.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-76-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

**APPROVING 2024 VEHICLE REPAIR AND AUTO BODY REPAIR FACILITY
LICENSES**

WHEREAS, the following applicants have submitted their application for a vehicle repair and auto body repair license for the year 2024;

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>DATE FOR ISSUANCE/APPROVAL</u>
MJ Traders Ltd.	610 River Drive	January 1, 2024
A&C Auto	740 River Drive	January 1, 2024

WHEREAS, it is certified that they have conformed with provisions of Ch. 330, Vehicle Repair and Auto Body Repair Facilities, adopted 9-12-2023 by Ord. No. 3005;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue licenses to the above-named applicants, effective on the date for issuance/approval listed above.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-77-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

APPROVING 2024 CANNABIS LICENSE

WHEREAS, the following applicants have submitted their application for a cannabis license for the year 2024;

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DATE FOR ISSUANCE/APPROVAL</u>
Lily Extracts LLC	163 Belmont Avenue	Class 2 Manufacturer	January 1, 2024

WHEREAS, it is certified that they have conformed with provisions of Ch. 100, Cannabis, adopted 7-20-2021 by Ord. No. 2890, as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue licenses to the above-named applicants, effective on the date for issuance/approval listed above.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-78-24**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN HERRERA
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN MASLAG**

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the actions noted in the Consent Agenda, Resolutions R-50-24 through R-78-24 be and are hereby approved and the proper officers are directed to take necessary action on same.

APPROVED: JANUARY 23, 2024

Richard Rigoglioso, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Maslag	X			
Herrera	X			
Banch	X			
Delaney	X			
Rigoglioso	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Regular Meeting held on the 23rd day of January 2024. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

PUBLIC COMMENT

Martin Rybak, Piast Meats & Provisions, advised that he attended in regards to the concern he raised at the January 9, 2024 work session meeting. He noted that he spoke to City Engineer Kevin Boswell prior to the start of the meeting in detail about the issue. Mr. Rybak noted that the project is looking great thus far and looks forward to its completion.

City Engineer Kevin Boswell advised that everything was raised higher than it used to be in the River Drive Improvement project. He noted that they will look into Mr. Rybak's concern further and the topography to see if any changes need to be made. Councilman Maslag inquired about NJDEP funding related to resiliency and Mr. Boswell said he will look into any additional funding sources.

MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Maslag stated that it has been a great start to 2024 thus far and that he looks forward to the remainder of 2024.

Mayor Rigoglioso thanked the public for attending.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Banch and seconded by Councilman Maslag to adjourn. The motions carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

These meeting minutes were approved at the February 13, 2024 Work Session meeting of the Mayor & Council.